

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

GIROUARD et al.

Appln. No.: 09/472,134

Filed: December 23, 1999

Title: SNOWMOBILE

Confirmation No.: Unknown

Group Art Unit: 3618

Examiner: Anne Marie Boehler



September 24, 2001

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AMENDMENT

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated June 22, 2001, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 9, replace the paragraph at lines 9-21 with the following new paragraph:

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When rider 126 is on snowmobile 110, the rider will be positioned on seat 128 so that he occupies seat position 130. Seat position 130 is the point at which the weight of the rider 126 is exerted on the seat 128. This point may vary from rider to rider, given changes in height and weight from one rider to another. In cases of difficulty, it may be determined by taking a 50-percentile United States human male (having a weight of 174.8 pounds and dimensions as shown in FIGS. 19 and 20), placing him on the snowmobile in the position shown in the Figures (*i.e.*, that approximate the position of a rider a few seconds after starting the vehicle, heading straight ahead on a flat terrain), and drawing a line from his shoulder through his hip. (For purposes of this discussion, a standard person is illustrated in FIGS. 19 and 20.) The intersection of that line with the seat may be considered to be the seat position

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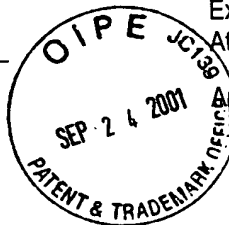
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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: September 24, 2001

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This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated herewith by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT made B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn C. <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith D. <input type="checkbox"/> made previously								
For B & C See <b>Required Separate Paper</b> (Pat-256)								
2. Total Effective Claims	68	**minus	87	0		x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	22	***minus	27	0		x \$80/\$40 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application) .....						add	+ \$270/\$135 =	+ \$0
5. Original due Date: September 22, 2001						<input type="checkbox"/> NONE		
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached						(1 mo) (2 mos) (3 mos) (Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos) (Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos)	\$110/\$55 = \$390/\$195 = \$890/\$445 = \$1390/\$695 = \$1890/\$945 =	+ \$0
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract						- \$0		
8. Extension Fee Attached						+ \$0		
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee .....						+ \$110/\$55		+ \$0
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), .....						+ \$180		+ \$0
or if Rule 97(d) Request .....						+ \$180		+ \$0
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) .....						+ \$710/355		+ \$0
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) .....						x \$710/355 ea		+ \$0
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) .....						+ \$710/355		+ \$0
14. Petition fee for .....								
15. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =						\$0		

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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